Another rolled-up lip 9 is rolled along the edges of the bars 4, 5, 6, and 7. The lip 9 is rolled in a direction opposite to that of the rolled edges 8.

Therefore, Pierpoint did not contemplate provision of a lip that would extend in parallel relationship to the bottom plate. The applicant believes that the flat lip of the instant device extending in parallel relationship to the bottom plate, provides for a more stable resting surface in comparison with the rolled edge 8 of Pierpoint.

Further, the applicant disagrees with the Examiner's statement that Pierpoint discloses provision of a wall that extends perpendicularly to the bottom plate. In fact, Pierpoint design does not provide for any wall. The resting surface of the rolled edge 8 is the only elevation that is provided for in the design of Pierpoint.

In contrast, the perpendicularly extending side wall of the instant invention allows to create a deeper cavity, thus allowing for more insects to be trapped. The deeper cavity is believed to be more beneficial since it allows the roaches to be trapped even if the roach's antenna, before the back of the insect, touches the adhesive surface.

McMullen was cited to show provision of a bait on an adhesive surface. However, the bait is not claimed per se in the instant application. It is the combination of features that are claimed in the instant application that is not shown, suggested or described in the prior art.

In view of the above, it is believed that amended claims 1, 6 and 7 are now allowable over the prior art.

Claims 2-5, 8 and 9 depend, directly or indirectly, on the now believed allowable claims 1 and 7 and should be allowed, as well.

In view of the amendments and arguments presented above, re-consideration of the rejection under 35 USC 103(a) and allowance of Claim 1-9 is respectfully requested.

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